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COUNTRY <u>East Germany</u>	SECURITY INFORMATION <u>REPORT</u>
TOPIC <u>Soviet Troop Trains</u>	50X1-HUM
EVALUATION <u></u>	PLACE OBTAINED <u></u> 50X1-HUM
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CB - Converted boxcar
 B - Boxcar
 F - Flatcar
 SSy - Heavy-duty flatcar
 RRym - Heavy-duty flatcar

Troop trains between 3 and 7 October 1953 included;

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<u>Date in October</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
3	24 B, 12 F, 8 SSy, 4 RRym	Haldensleben	Halle railroad district
	7 B, 22 F, 8 SSy, 6 RRym	Mahlwinkel	"
	10 CB, 4 B, 13 F	Haldensleben	"
	39 F	"	"
	22 B, 4 F, 5 RRym	"	Rosslau
	7 CB, 5 B, 32 F	Wolmirstedt	Halle railroad district
	5 B, 3 F, 4 SSy, 8 RRym	Haldensleben	Halle railroad district
4	3 CB, 9 F, 13 RRym	Mahlwinkel	Berlin railroad district
	8 CB, 17 B, 18 F	Haldensleben	Halle railroad district

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4	5 B, 17 F, 15 RRym	Mahlwinkel	Halle railroad district
	22 B, 14 F	Haldensleben	Brueckfeld
	3 F, 7 RRym	"	"
	3 CB, 4 B, 11 F, 6 RRym	Crawinkel	Wolmirstedt
	9 B, 29 F	Wolmirstedt	Halle railroad district
	4 B, 4 F, 12 RRym	Mahlwinkel	Brueckfeld
	3 CB, 5 F, 12 RRym	Tangerhuetten	Halle railroad district
	3 CB, 8 F, 12 RRym	"	"
	7 CB, 17 B, 27 F	Haldensleben	"
	3 B, 7 F, 12 RRym	Tangerhuetten	"
	9 CB, 13 B, 30 F, 9 RRym	Mahlwinkel	"
	14 B, 24 F, 2 SSy	Haldensleben	"
	8 CB, 17 B, 18 F	"	"
	7 CB, 17 B, 27 F	"	"
	4 CB, 11 B, 15 F	"	"
	3 B, 13 F, 2 RRym	Jerichow	Granssee
	4 CB, 26 B, 5 F	Altengrabow	Rathenow
	10 B, 10 F, 6 RRym	Haldensleben	Halle railroad district
5	4 CB, 2 B, 7 F, 12 RRym	Tangerhuetten	Rosslau
	3 CB, 2 B, 4 F, 14 RRym	"	Meinsdorf
	4 CB, 30 B, 11 F	Haldensleben	Halle railroad district
	17 B, 16 F, 3 RRym	Altengrabow	Rathenow
	9 B, 16 F	Tangerhuetten	Halle railroad district
	5 CB, 12 B, 46 F	Altengrabow	Berlin railroad district
	8 B, 9 F, 15 RRym	Haldensleben	Brueckfeld
	11 CB, 14 B, 15 F	Tangerhuetten	Halle railroad district
6	16 B, 34 F	Altengrabow	Berlin railroad district

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6	11 CB, 14 B, 20 F, 5 SSy	Tangerhuetten	Berlin railroad district
	4 CB, 12 B, 8 F, 14 RRym	Haldensleben	Brueckfeld
	2 CB, 2 B, 14 RRym	"	Berlin railroad district
	10 CB, 10 B, 28 F	"	"
	7 CB, 23 B, 19 F	Altengrabow	Rathenow
	5 CB, 1 B, 14 F	Eisenach	Gross Arnensleben
	2 CB, 14 RRym	Haldensleben	Berlin railroad district
	3 B, 12 RRym	"	Satzkorn
	3 B, 12 RRym	"	Berlin railroad district
	19 B, 18 F	Dessau	Erfurt railroad district
	3 CB, 27 B, 4 RRym	Altengrabow	Rathenow
	4 CB, 10 B, 12 F, 5 RRym	Rossau	Erfurt railroad district
	5 CB, 18 B, 24 F	Altengrabow	Rathenow
	7 CB, 2 B, 42 F, 6 RRym	Tangerhuetten	Brandenburg
	2 CB, 12 RRym	Mahlwinkel	Brandenburg
7	7 B, 12 RRym	Haldensleben	Berlin railroad district
	6 CB, 21 B, 17 F	Wolmirstedt	"
	8 CB, 40 F	Mahlwinkel	"
	3 B, 12 RRym	Haldensleben	Brandenburg
	4 B, 2 SSy, 10 RRym	"	"
	2 CB, 1 F, 12 RRym	Mahlwinkel	Berlin railroad district
	12 B, 12 F, 15 SSy, 4 RRym	Haldensleben	Erfurt
	2 CB, 41 F	Neubukow	Mudolstadt
	13 CB, 2 B, 34 F	Altengrabow	Goeschwitz
	11 CB, 1 B, 31 F, 5 SSy	"	"
	6 CB, 3 B, 7 SSy, 14 RRym	Jaevenitz	Jerichow
	3 CB, 3 B, 13 RRym	Wolmirstedt	Crawinkel

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1. Comment. To these 26 troop trains, another five troop trains must be added which, on 2 October 1953, were dispatched from the Haldensleben and Wolmirstedt railroad stations to the Halle railroad district. Thus, the movement totaled 31 troop trains which, between 2 and 5 October 1953, carried the 7th Gds Tank Div back to its home stations in Rosslau and Zerbst after termination of the summer training at Letzling Heath. The number of 31 trains corresponds with previous observations on movements of tank divisions from their home stations to troop training grounds and vice-versa. It is noticeable that, on 3, 4 and 5 October 1953, of the 31 troop trains a total of 11 trains were dispatched from the Mahlwinkel and Tangerhuetten railroad stations. This is possibly a first indication that, together with large contingents of the 10th Gds Tank Div, components of the 7th Gds Tank Div also participated in the final field exercises of the Third Shock Army in the area east of Letzling Heath prior to their departure to their home stations. 50X1-HUM
2. Comment. The three troop trains are reported for the first time. As exact data on the unloading stations are not available, the trains cannot be interpreted as to their connection with the train movements determined during this period. 50X1-HUM
3. Comment. These troop trains from the southern sector of Letzling Heath to Magdeburg-Brueckfeld probably carried components of the 19th Gds Mecz Div which returned to their home station. 50X1-HUM
4. Comment. After a five-week interval, a tank detail each of the 20th Gds Mecz Div and 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div moved to Letzling Heath on the troop trains respectively for firing practice with live ammunition. It is possible that, although the time for firing practices appears very limited, the above tank details may have returned to their units on the troop trains on 7 October 1953. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
5. Comment. The troop train probably carried a headquarters unit of the Third Shock Army which returned to Magdeburg after termination of the army field exercises. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
6. Comment. The troop train possibly carried the undetermined contingents of the Second Gds Mecz Army back to their home station. On 24 September 1953, the same units were hauled from Neuruppin to Gardelegen on the troop train . 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
7. Comment. These troop trains were previously reported. The trains carried contingents of the 6th Arty Div, including elements of the 65th Mort Brig, which returned to their home station. 50X1-HUM
8. Comment. The two troop trains transported elements of the 20th Army Artillery Brig back to Brandenburg. 50X1-HUM 50X1-HUM
9. Comment. All these troop trains carried components of the 10th Gds Tank Div and were unloaded at Satz Korn. 50X1-HUM
10. Comment. It cannot definitely be interpreted whether the two troop trains were loaded with engineer units, probably of the GOFG, or with troops of the 7th Gds Tank Div which are to participate in maneuvers of the Eighth Gds Army in Thuringia beginning in the Erfurt-Jena-Rudolstadt area on 11 October 1953.

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11. [] Comment. These troop trains carried components of the 10th Gds Tank Div back to Erandenburg. In connection with this movement, the troop trains [] 50X1-HUM
12. [] Comment. The troop train [] probably carried an element of the 497th AAA Regt [] which returned to Rudolstadt after termination of firing practices at Wustrow. The bulk of the units had departed from Wustrow by late September 1953. 50X1-HUM
13. [] Comment. These two troop trains were observed passing through Naumburg [] The trains probably carried contingents of the 6th Arty Div which moved to the maneuvers of the Eighth Gds Army. 50X1-HUM
14. [] Comment. Probably a troop train with contingents of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div. On about 8 October 1953, troops belonging to this division still were engaged in field exercises on the Elbe River in the area south and southeast of Stendal. [] 50X1-HUM

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